

### Remarks

Claims 1, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10-16 and 19-23 were pending. Claims 1, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10-16 and 19 were allowed. Claims 20-23 stand rejected and claims 19, 20 and 23 have been objected to. Claims 14 and 19 have been amended, and claims 20-23 have been cancelled. Applicants request that a Notice of Allowability be provided.

### Double Patenting

Claims 20 and 23 stand rejected under the non-statutory provisional double patenting doctrine in relation to claim 9 of U.S. Patent Application 10/025,774. Claims 20-23 have been cancelled. As such the double patenting rejection can be withdrawn.

### Claim Objections

Claims 19, 20 and 23 were objected to due to informalities. Claim 19 was amended to depend from claim 14 as suggested. Claims 20 and 23 were cancelled. As such, all objections have been addressed and the objections can now be withdrawn.

### 103 Rejections

Claims 20-22 stand rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ramraj (US Pub 2002/0174174) in view of Dasgupta, "A Probe-Based Monitoring Scheme for an Object-Oriented, Distributed Operating System." Claim 23 stands rejected as being unpatentable over Ramraj in view of Vaitheeswaran (US Pat. App. 6,687,702). Applicants have cancelled claims 20-23. As such the §103 rejections are moot.

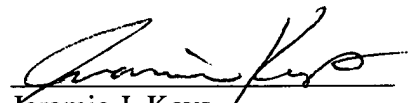
### Conclusion

Applicants thank the Examiner for allowable claims 1, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10-16 and 19. Applicants assert that claims 1, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10-16 and 19 are in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

No fees are believed due. However, please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-3025.

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